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MEDIA ADVISORY **Hawaii State Association of Counties Mid-Year Conference**

- WHAT:** Hawaii State Association Counties 2005 Mid-Year Conference
(Please see attached conference schedule)
- WHO:** Honolulu City Council
Maui County Council
Kauai County Council
Big Island County Council
- WHEN:** Friday, January 28
8:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.
- WHERE:** Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, Kauai Room
- DETAILS:** The Hawaii State Association of Counties (HSAC) is comprised of the county councils and mayors of each of Hawaii's four counties. The purpose of HSAC is to coordinate county programs in the best interest of the people of the State of Hawaii.

At the 2005 HSAC Mid-Year Conference, a variety of critical county issues will be discussed, including: the transportation crisis, construction and operation of public recreation facilities through public-private partnerships, municipal home rule, impacts on county revenue due to timeshare conversion and the public service company tax decision, and the affordable housing crisis.

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HSAC Mid-Year Conference, Sheraton Waikiki Hotel
Friday, January 28, 2005

Time	Activity	Site
8:30 am	OPENING REMARKS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Council Chair, City and County of Honolulu The Honorable Dain Kane, HSAC President, Councilmember, County of Maui 	Kauai Room
8:45 am – 9:45 am	SESSION #1 Moderator: The Honorable Nestor Garcia, Councilmember, City and County of Honolulu Topic: Is it Time to Allow Counties the Funding Authority to Address the Transportation Crisis? Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Wes Frysztacki, Weslin Consulting Services 	Kauai Room
9:45 am – 10:45 am	SESSION #2 Moderator: The Honorable Ann Kobayashi, Councilmember, City and County of Honolulu Topic: Building and Operating Public Recreation Facilities Through Public-Private Partnerships Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Don Webber, Big League Dreams Mr. William (Bill) E. Russell, Big League Dreams 	Kauai Room
11 am – 12 pm	SESSION #3 Moderator: The Honorable Charles Djou, Councilmember, City and County of Honolulu Topic: The State of Municipal Home Rule After 100 Years Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Honorable Les Ihara, State Senate The Honorable Galen Fox, State House of Representatives 	Kauai Room
12 pm – 1:30 pm	LUNCHEON PRESENTATION Moderator: The Honorable Romy Cachola, Councilmember, City and County of Honolulu Topic: Impacts on County Revenue Due to Timeshare Conversion and the Public Service Company Tax Decision Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Marie Laderta, Deputy Director, State Department of Taxation Ms. Cathleen Tokishi, External Training and Outreach Staff Office, State Department of Taxation 	Kauai Room
1:30 pm – 2:15 pm	SESSION #4 Moderator: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Council Chair, City and County of Honolulu Topic: Public-Private Partnership Solutions to the Affordable Housing Crisis Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jeff Minter, Executive Vice President, UniDev LLC Mr. Paul R.K. Cassidy, Real Estate Economist 	Kauai Room
2:15 pm – 3:15 pm	SESSION # 5 Moderator: The Honorable G. Riki Hokama, Councilmember, County of Maui Topic: Revisiting Section 201G-118, HRS, to Address Today's Affordable Housing Needs Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Honorable Ron Menor, Hawaii State Senator, Chair, Senate Committee of Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing The Honorable Michael Kahikina, Hawaii State Representative, Chair, House Committee on Human Services and Housing The Honorable Joseph Pontanilla, Councilmember, County of Maui Mr. Henry Eng, Acting Director, Department of Planning and Permitting, City and County of Honolulu 	Kauai Room
3:15 pm	CONFERENCE ENDS	